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Westmont Neighborhood
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Location: 131 Greene Street, Westmont, Johnstown, Cambria County, Pa.

Description: Large Queen Anne-style single-family house. Two-and-a-half stories, hip roof with large gables. Wood construction with aluminum siding on front; rear has original horizontal wood siding. Turret crowned with curvilinear, pointed cupola. Front porch with shed roof. Side of wrap-around porch has been enclosed.

History: This house was probably built in the 1890s, when the property was owned by Jennie A. Zimmerman. The Cambria Iron Company sold two lots here to George W. Thompson on July 8, 1891, for \$1,650. On November 1, 1892, he sold the lots to Jennie A. Zimmerman for \$2,050. Zimmerman and her husband, G. A. Zimmerman, sold the property to Adam D. Brinker on September 28, 1898, for the nominal fee of \$1. Brinker in turn sold the property to J. Leon Replogle and Charles N. Replogle on May 9, 1902, for \$7,000; at that time the deed noted that the property included a "dwelling house and stable." The Replogles apparently used it as rental property. Walter Myton, a Johnstown architect, is said to have designed the house.

Sources:

Deed Records (78:512, 86:144, 119:63, 129:145, 225:147, 366:6, 441:519, 658:53, 759:33). Cambria County Courthouse, Ebensburg, Pa.

Johnstown City Directory, 1901.

Sanborn Map Co., Westmont, Pennsylvania (New York: 1913).

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This report was prepared by Natalie Gillespie in August 1988 under the direction of Alison K. Hoagland, HABS historian, and Kim E. Wallace, the supervisory historian of the project. Gillespie's and other project historians' work was published as The Character of a Steel Mill City: Four Historic Neighborhoods of Johnstown, Pennsylvania (Washington, D.C.: HABS/HAER, National Park Service, 1989), edited by Kim E. Wallace. Illustrations in the publication include large format photographs taken by HAER photographer Jet Lowe and 35 mm photographs taken by the project historians.